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RE: Application of Total Environmental Solutions, Inc. for Adjustment of Rates
and Charges for Provision of Water and Sewer Collection
Docket No. 2004-90-W/S, Our File No. 557-10022

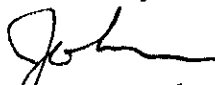
Dear Jim:

On behalf of Total Environmental Solutions, Inc. ("TESI") and the Foxwood Hills Property Owners Association ("POA"), I request a continuance of the hearing in the above-referenced matter scheduled for August 4, 2004. TESI and the POA are actively working towards a potential settlement of the issues currently before the Commission in this rate proceeding. Based upon the progress that these parties have made in that regard during the last 24 hours, we believe that we may be able to settle this case through a Stipulation and Proposed Order Setting Rates. To that end, we also request that the Commission reschedule the general rate case hearing during the week of August 23, 2004. The only present conflict these parties have during that week is that Asby Fulmer is currently scheduled for a day-certain trial in South Carolina Circuit Court for August 23. The remainder of that week is clear for all witnesses and representatives from TESI and the POA.

TESI and the POA will work towards obtaining the agreement of all appropriate intervenors to a Stipulation and Proposed Order Setting Rates by Wednesday, August 11. If we are able to achieve that goal, we will submit those documents to the Commission and request a hearing during the week of August 16 for the purpose of presenting that proposal to the Commission and requesting its approval of the parties' settlement. In an effort to ensure that all parties have this information at the earliest possible time, I am emailing this document to you, the Commission, and all parties of record in this proceeding in PDF format. Please let me know as soon as possible if the Commission approves the request set forth herein.

With kind regards, I am

Yours truly,


John F. Beach

cc: Mr. Paul Maeder, Mr. Bill Schoening, Mr. Gary Shambaugh,
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